IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF OHIO WESTERN DIVISION

RAMON BOYCE, et al.,

Plaintiffs,

v. Case No. 3:19-cv-181

CITY HALL FOR SPRINGFIELD, JUDGE WALTER H. RICE

OHIO, et al.,

Defendants.

ORDER TERMINATING ALYSHIA COOK, SHAQUEETA TERRELL AND QUIANA BOYCE AS PARTIES; DISMISSING CERTAIN CLAIMS WITH PREJUDICE; SERVICE TO ISSUE TO ONLY TO DEFENDANTS DERIC NICHOLS AND BRIAN PEABODY; TERMINATING ALL OTHER DEFENDANTS AS PARTIES TO THIS LAWSUIT

On April 28, 2021, the Court issued a Decision and Entry, Doc. #20, adopting in part and rejecting in part the Magistrate Judge's Report and Recommendations on his initial screening of the Amended Complaint. The Court dismissed certain claims with prejudice and others without prejudice. This Order is a follow-up to the April 28, 2021, Decision and Entry and must be read in conjunction with it.

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In its April 28, 2021, Decision and Entry, the Court noted that, although there were four Plaintiffs who were proceeding *pro se*, only Plaintiff Ramon Boyce had filed an application for leave to proceed *in forma pauperis*. The Court gave the

other three *pro se* Plaintiffs—Alyshia Cook, Shaqueeta Terrell and Quiana Boyce—21 days to either file motions for leave to proceed *in forma pauperis* or to pay the filing fee. They were advised that failure to do so may result in the dismissal of their claims. Doc. #20, PageID#208.

Given that these three Plaintiffs failed to comply with the Court's Order, the Court now DISMISSES all claims brought by Plaintiffs Alyshia Cook, Shaqueeta Terrell and Quiana Boyce and TERMINATES them as parties to this lawsuit.

В.

In the April 28, 2021, Decision and Entry, the Court dismissed the majority of Plaintiffs' claims without prejudice. It gave Plaintiffs 45 days to seek leave to file a Second Amended Complaint to cure certain pleading deficiencies if they could do so within the bounds of Fed. R. Civ. P. 11. Plaintiffs, however, have failed to file a motion within the time allotted. As such, the following claims, which were previously dismissed without prejudice, are now DISMISSED WITH PREJUDICE:

- 42 U.S.C. § 1983 procedural due process claims brought against various defendants in their individual capacities (Count I);
- 42 U.S.C. § 1983 claims asserted against Sheriff Deborah Burchett and Deputy Brian Melchi in their individual capacities (Count I);
- 42 U.S.C. § 1983 municipal liability claims (Count II)
- 42 U.S.C. § 1983 conspiracy claim (Count III); and
- 42 U.S.C. §§ 1985 and 1986 conspiracy claims (Count IV)

The Court also previously dismissed without prejudice the malicious prosecution claim asserted by Plaintiff Ramon Boyce in Count I, because his direct

appeal was still pending. That claim is now also DISMISSED WITH PREJUDICE, given that the United States Supreme Court has recently denied his petition for writ of certiorari. *See Boyce v. Ohio*, No. 20-7271, --S. Ct. --, 2021 WL 1602698 (April 26, 2021).

C.

In light of the foregoing, only two claims remain: (1) the § 1983 Fourth

Amendment claim brought against Officer Deric Nichols in his individual capacity,
stemming from the February 28, 2017, traffic stop of Ramon Boyce; and (2) the
§ 1983 Fourth Amendment claim brought against Officer Brian Peabody in his
individual capacity, stemming from the June 21, 2017, traffic stop of Ramon
Boyce.

The Clerk of Court is DIRECTED to issue service only to Defendants Deric Nichols and Brian Peabody. Plaintiffs Quiana Boyce, Alyshia Cook and Shaqueeta Terrell are TERMINATED as parties to this action. All Defendants other than Deric Nichols and Brian Peabody are also TERMINATED as parties to this action.

Date: July 8, 2021

Waitr H., Rice author

(tp - per Judge Rice authorization after his review)

WALTER H. RICE

UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE